that two years back the hon. Minister gave an assurance that the system will be eliminated, so far as I remember. Instead of elimination, it has not even been reduced. On the contrary the number of casual labourers in different railways is on the increase. I would like to know from the hon. Minister whether he has taken up any comprehensive scheme of regularising the entire labour force in casual employment and, if so, what is the scheme, and by when are you going to complete the regularisation of the entire casual labour force.

SHRIMATI MOHSINA KIDWAI: It is a new question.

AN HON. MEMBER: The question Hour is over.

MR. CHAIRMAN: I am going by my electronic clock. The time is not yet over.

AN HON. MEMBER: What is the reply?

MR. CHAIRMAN: Mohsinaji, do you want to say anything?

SHRIMATI MOHSINA KIDWAI: I cannot say anything as to when we are going to eliminate.

MR. CHAIRMAN: We have time enough to ask a question, but not the answer.

SHRI CHITTA BASU: I will only ask Madam to see whether the policy that the Government took up earlier, namely, the policy of de-casualisation will that be continued or not.

SHRI SURESH KALMADI: Sir, the hon. Minister should answer 'yes' or 'no'.

(Interruptions)

SHRI DIPEN GHOSH: Ministers are casual. What will happen? Decasualisation of Ministers will have to take place.

(Interruptions)

MR. CHAIRMAN: Question Hour is over.

WRITTEN ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS

Complimentary Railway Passes

*286. SHRIMATI RATAN KUMARI: Will the Minister of TRANSPORT be pleased to state:

(a) the criteria laid down for the issue of complimentary railway passes; and

(b) the number of railway complimentary passes issued under each category during 1985-86?

THE MINISTER OF TRANSPORT (SHRIMATI MOHSINA KIDWAI): (a) Complimentary Passes are issued, based on the guidelines/justification and merit of each case.

(b) 25 Complimentary Card Passes and 382 Complimentary Cheque Passes were issued during 1985-86.

Grant-in-aid Programme for development of roads

*288. SHRI B. SATYANARAYAN REDDY: Will the Minister of TRANSPORT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Government sponsored a grant-in-aid programme for development of roads of economic and inter-State importance;

(b) if so, what are the details thereof with reference to the State of Andhra Pradesh and what is the yearly release to the State Government under the scheme for the years 1982-83, 1983-84 and 1984-85;

(c) whether the Chief Minister of Andhra Pradesh has recently written a letter to adopt the 1969 pattern of grant-in-aid and whether any proposal for 36 works worth Rs. 1860 lakhs was also sent to Central Government under the scheme; and

(d) if so, what are the details thereof and what action Government have taken in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF TRANSPORT (SHRIMATI MOHSINA KIDWAI): (a) and (b) The pattern of assistance which was initially grant-in-aid upto 31-3-1969 was changed under the directions of National Development Council to loans with effect from 1-4-1969 for all States/Union Territories, including Andhra Pradesh. Details of yearwise release of funds to the Andhra Pradesh Government under the scheme for Roads of economic and Inter-State Importance are as under:—

Year	Rs. in Lakhs
1982-83	30·00
1983-84	30·00
1984-85	56·50

(c) and (d) No recent reference from the Chief Minister, Andhra Pradesh has been received. However in May, 1985, a reference regarding adoption of the old pattern for grant-in-aid was received. The Chief Minister was informed in August, 1985 that the pattern was based on the decision of the National Development Council and can be changed only by them. Further, owing to limitation of resources and keeping in view the requirement of the whole country, 11 schemes costing Rs. 565 lakhs were included for loan assistance to the Government of Andhra Pradesh during the 6th Plan.

*289. [*Transferred to the 8th August*, 1986.]

Revision of Pay Scales of University Teachers

*290. SHRI SATYA PRAKASH MALAVIYA: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to refer to reply to Unstarred Question 372 given in the Rajya Sabha on 23-7-86 and state by when Government propose to examine the recommendations of the Committee set up to consider the revision of pay scales of University teachers and to take decisions thereon?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION AND CULTURE (SHRIMATI KRISHNA SAHI): The Government have constituted an Empowered Committee to examine the recommendations of the Mehrotra Committee and an early decision will be taken after the receipt of the recommendations of the Empowered Committee.

Air service for Santiniketan

*291. SHRI SURAJ PRASAD:
SHRI GURUDAS DAS GUPTA:

Will the Minister of TRANSPORT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Santiniketan is likely to get a place on the country's air map during this year;

(b) if so, what are the details thereof; and

(c) what are names of the towns of West Bengal which are proposed to be linked by Vayudoot service during the current year?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF CIVIL AVIATION (SHRI JAGDISH TYTLER): (a) and (b) There is no airstrip at Shantiniketan and no plans to airlink it during the current year.

(c) There is no proposal to airlink any new station in West Bengal during the current year.

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*292. डा० रत्नाकर पाण्डेय : क्या मानव संसाधन विकास मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) तृतीय विश्व हिन्दी सम्मेलन के संकल्प के अनुसार हिन्दी विश्व-